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MINNESOTA'S MARCH MILK OUTPUT UP 3.8 PERCENT

March 2010 milk production totaled 797 million pounds in Minnesota, up 3.8 percent from the 768 million pounds produced in March 2009, according to the USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. February milk output was revised to 710 million pounds.

Minnesota's production per cow averaged 1,695 pounds in March 2010, up 55 pounds from last March. The revised February rate was 1,510 pounds per cow. The average number of milk cows on farms in Minnesota during March 2010 was 470,000 head, unchanged from the revised February number, but up 2,000 head from one year ago.

Accumulated Minnesota milk production for the first 3 months of 2010 was 2.28 billion pounds, up 2.9 percent from the same period a year ago.

MARCH MILK PRODUCTION UP 0.9 PERCENT IN MAJOR STATES

Milk production during March 2010 totaled 15.4 billion pounds, up 0.9 percent from March 2009 in the 23 major States. February's revised production was at 13.7 billion pounds, up 0.3 percent from February 2009. The February revision represented an increase of 17 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,846 pounds for March, up 51 pounds from March 2009. The number of milk cows in the 23 major States was 8.32 million head, 162,000 head less than March 2009, but 1,000 head more than February 2010.

Accumulated milk production in the 23 major states for the first 3 months of 2010 was 43.8 billion pounds, up 0.2 percent from the same period a year ago.

MILK PRODUCTION, MAJOR STATES

State	MILK COWS			RATE PER COW			MILK PRODUCTION			
	Mar 2009	Feb 2010 Rev.	Mar 2010	Mar 2009	Feb 2010 Rev.	Mar 2010	Mar 2009	Feb 2010 Rev.	Mar 2010	2010 as % of 2009
	<u>Thousand Head</u>			<u>Pounds</u>			<u>Million Pounds</u>			<u>Percent</u>
CA	1,821	1,760	1,758	1,925	1,755	1,980	3,505	3,089	3,481	99.3
ID	550	554	554	1,840	1,690	1,880	1,012	936	1,042	103.0
MN	468	470	470	1,640	1,510	1,695	768	710	797	103.8
NY	623	610	610	1,700	1,560	1,740	1,059	952	1,061	100.2
PA	550	541	540	1,670	1,520	1,730	919	822	934	101.6
WI	1,256	1,260	1,260	1,675	1,585	1,775	2,104	1,997	2,237	106.3
23 States	8,482	8,319	8,320	1,795	1,642	1,846	15,222	13,660	15,355	100.9



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